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Notice of Abandonment	Examiner	Art Unit				
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The MAILING DATE of this communication ap						
This application is abandoned in view of:						
Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 12 May 2008. (a) ☐ A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on (b) ☒ A proposed reply was received on 08 August 2008, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final						
rejection.						
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).						
(c) A reply was received on but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).						
(d) ☐ No reply has been received.						
 2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85). (a) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated 						
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(b) The submitted fee of \$ is insufficient. A balance						
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$						
(c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.						
3. Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).						
(a) Proposed corrected drawings were received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.						
(b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.						
4. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.						
5. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.						
6. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.						
7. The reason(s) below:						
/Len Tran/ Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 3752	/J. J. B./ Examiner, Art Unit 3752					
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